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Statistical Digest

47th Parliament

No. 15, 4 to 14 September 2023

Legislation	4 to 14 September 2023	2023 to date	47 th Parliament to date
Bills presented to the House	18	121	217
Government bills	14	99	182
Private members' bills	3	18	26
Senate bills	1	4	9
Bills referred to the Federation Chamber	6	57	81
Bills passed by the House	15	103	174

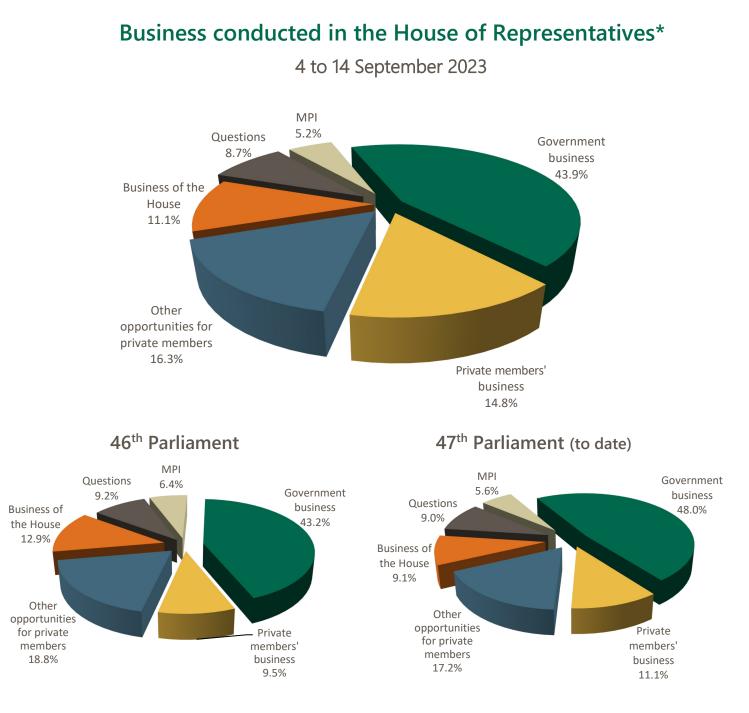
Other business	4 to 14 September 2023	2023 to date	47 th Parliament to date
Number of sitting days	8	53	84
Hours of sitting*			
House of Representatives Chamber	73 hrs 50 mins	490 hrs 50 mins	785 hrs 14 mins
Federation Chamber	25 hrs 18 mins	202 hrs 52 mins	313 hrs 45 mins
Business conducted in the House ⁺			
Government business	43 hrs 29 mins	336 hrs 37 mins	527 hrs 16 mins
Private members' business	14 hrs 42 mins	77 hrs 22 mins	121 hrs 46 mins
Other opportunities for private members	16 hrs 12 mins	115 hrs 57 mins	188 hrs 53 mins
Questions without notice	8 hrs 37 mins	66 hrs 37 mins	99 hrs 36 mins
Matter of public importance	5 hrs 6 mins	40 hrs 1 min	61 hrs 51 mins
Business of the House	11 hrs 3 mins	57 hrs 9 mins	99 hrs 38 mins
Private members' motions moved and debated~	21	124	187
Matters of public importance discussed	5	40	62
Questions in writing	63	292	360
Questions without notice [#]	139	1091	1,657
Petitions presented	73	413	718
Signatures to petitions	94,492	682,357	967,541
Divisions	14	104	193
Parliamentary committee reports presented^	12	92	120

* Excludes suspension of sittings.

+ Includes Federation Chamber. See definitions on following page. Totals may not sum due to rounding.

~ Excludes resumption of debate.

- # Excludes questions ruled out of order.
- ^ Includes advisory reports on bills.



Note: As at the beginning of the 46th Parliament, the allocation of items of business to categories represented in these graphs changed. All graphs shown above are calculated on the same basis but may not be comparable to previous editions of the Digest of earlier parliaments. Some further changes to the calculation of percentages were made in February 2023.

Government business includes government sponsored legislation and motions; ministerial statements and statements in reply.

Private members' business includes legislation and motions sponsored by private members.

Other opportunities for private members includes adjournment debates, grievance debates, debate on the Address in Reply, 90 second statements and members' constituency statements.

Business of the House includes, but is not limited to, time spent on petitions, statements by indulgence, presentation of papers, privilege matters, personal explanations, dissent motions, motions to suspend standing orders, announcements of ministerial arrangements, presentation and debate on committee and delegation reports and votes of condolence.

*Includes time spent in the Federation Chamber.